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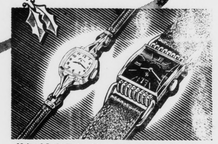

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Vera

Vera, Dec. 2.- Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Chernault spent Sunday afternoon in Lynchburg with her sister, Mrs. Wright.

Mrs. Maude E. Abbitt spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Coleman.

Miss Alice Covington, of Richmond spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Covington.

Richard Carter was home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chernault and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Chernault were guests of Mr. and Mrs E. O. Blackwell last Thursday night.

Miss Evelyn Chernault is spending this week in Chicago.

Miss Doris Lee Reynolds, Miss Virginia Carter attended the football game Thursday in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Coleman spent the week-end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beale, of Lynchburg have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willie Beale.

Rocks News

Rocks, Dec. 1.- Farmers are busy getting their tobacco ready for market.

Quite a number from here attended the Sunday School meeting in Carnville last Sunday.

S. E. McGee spent a few days in Norfolk recently.

Mr and Mrs. Bob Cash and M. W. Eisemon spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ranson and family.

Percy Carter killed a turkey last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ranson and children, of Norfolk, and Rhomy Wilson, of Pottsville, Va., spent a few days in the home of Mrs. Maude Ranson and Mrs. Rhomy Wilson.

Hudson Dickerson, Cecil Holt, Rev. R. T. Smith and Mr. Bailey were hunting in the neighborhood last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach and children and Mr. and Mrs Richard Inge spent Thursday with Mrs. D. C. Inge.

Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. McGee Thursday.

Miss Etta Ranson spent Sunday with Miss Annie Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge and Mrs. D. R. Inge were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Inge of Farmville Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh had several of their children with them Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Blass Ranson and children, of Norfolk, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ranson during the holidays.

Mrs. Lockie Moore and family, of Montgomery, W. Va., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Anderson.

Jim Frank Ranson and daughter, Mary Willie, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Foster, near Darlington Heights, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Baldwin are all smiles. It's a fine baby, born on November 11th.

Louise Ranson celebrated her 9th birthday last week.

Little Esther Almond, of Farmville spent a few days with Charlene Ranson last week.

Quite a large crowd was out at Rocks Church Thanksgiving night for the service there.

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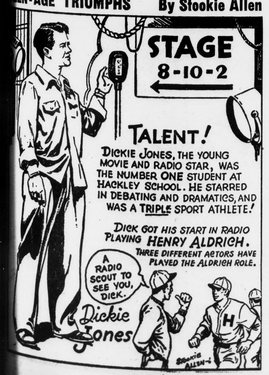
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High School Chatter . . .

Hello friends, well here we are once more High School Chatter.

Everyone seems to be busy lately studying for six weeks tests and trying to get ready for Christmas at the same time. Nearly all the teachers are having their blackboards decorated. They are going to be very pretty when they are finished. And we'd like to suggest to our parents that they come to see them.

We had a very interesting, yet exciting time a very educational one, too. Assembly Council election last Friday. The two parties were the Student Party with Billy Guill as president, and the United Party with Jack Johnston as president. The results for the election were Jay Hunter, Patsy Booth, Lucy Baber and Winston Walton. Judges were chosen from each home room and votes were cast at; voting precincts like a regular election. The United Party candidates won the election, Billy Johnston as president, Jay Harvey as vice president, Bobbitt as secretary and Donald Ferguson as reporter.

Last night Besier's play, "The Barretts of Wimple Street" was presented here last Saturday night by the Junior Players. It was greatly enjoyed by everyone and we wish that more people could have seen it.

Evelyn Chernault was the representative from Appomattox County to the National 4-H Club convention in Chicago last week. We understand she had a very interesting time and we are all proud of her for this honor.

Special Sale Progresses

Bargain-hunted Crosses are now being held in the schools. Proceeds from the sale of these Crosses will be added to funds received from the Christmas Seal Sale, which opened December 24, and will continue until Christmas. Seal sales so far have been quite satisfactory, but are solicited to support this annual event, asks for prompt reports.

Guinea Soon as Fertile Field for New Industries

CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA.—Prime Minister Ben Chifley, Australian minister for post-war housing, said on his return from a tour on New Guinea that the country's great resources should be developed immediately to help remain a possession of Australia and the native people."

Chifley expressed the view the shipbuilding industry could be developed in tropical New Guinea because there was abundant water for electric projects, and pine grew quickly.

Evelyn Chernault, 16 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chernault, of Vera. Evelyn attended the 12 th National 4-H Club Congress held in Chicago, Ill., December 1 to 6. Evelyn has been a 4-H Club member for six years, and has conducted a variety of projects during these years. She won the trip on the work she had done in her home laundry project. She is secretary and treasurer of the Appomattox Senior 4-H Club.

Highway Notice

Richmond, Dec. 13.- Returning home in the evenings with farm team or tractor, Virginia farmers should display lights or lanterns when traveling on the public highways, the State Highway Department cautioned this week.

With the days becoming steadily shorter and dusk falling before the end of the working day, enlighted farm equipment becomes a serious safety hazard in the poor vision of the late afternoon, traffic safety engineers explained.

Study Group

The Moses Commission met in Richmond yesterday in lengthy executive session to consider its findings on a broad study of public schools in Virginia. The study was ordered by the extra session of the General Assembly last January.

State Senator Chas. T. Moses, of Appomattox, is chairman of the commission and W. M. Abbitt is one of the members. The commission is engaged in "putting the finishing touches" on its report.

Ice weather last night impedes highway traffic.

Stassen takes issue with Truman on price increase issue.

Armed Forces Brush Up on Dress for State Occasions

WASHINGTON.—Cocked hats, ornamental swords and gold lace emerged from moth ball status with an authorization from Secretary of Defense Forrestal for officers of the armed forces to wear evening dress uniforms on state occasions.

White House receptions and state functions both in the United States and abroad again will see the fancy formal garb laid aside in 1946 while the nation prepared for war.

Forrestal, on orders from President Truman, also directed the army, air force and navy to begin a joint study of an "appropriate" evening dress uniform for all three services.

President Truman is reported to have noticed at the Rio de Janeiro conference the contrast between dazzling foreign uniforms and the more sober American armed forces dress then being worn.

Road Funds For County Announced

Richmond, Dec. 13.- The State Highway Department today announced allocations totaling $161,489 for the maintenance and construction of secondary highways in Appomattox County for the fiscal year beginning July, 1948.

Throughout the state, $20,079,676 will go for the improvement of the 38,000-mile secondary highway system during fiscal year 1948-49.

Although this is the largest single appropriation ever made for secondary road work in Virginia, highway department officials emphasized that highway costs have risen 65 per cent above prewar levels.

During the current fiscal year which ends June 30, an allocation of $137,240 is available to Appomattox County. The statewide total for the current year is $18,453,379.

Secondary road funds are allocated, to the various counties in Virginia on a hard and fast formula basis. Each county receives a share of the total in proportion to its land area, population, secondary road mileage, and vehicle miles of travel on its secondary roads.

Secondary roads are former county roads which the state took over in 1932. For the most part, they are farm-to-market, school bus, and RFD mail routes. They bear numbers of 600 or more.

All funds will be carefully budgeted to carry out as many improvements as possible. Since funds are insufficient to accomplish all needed work, the budget is made final only with approval of the Board of Supervisors. In this way, local authorities have the final word in determining secondary road improvements.

Savings Bonds

The sale of U. S. Savings Bonds must be accounted in December if Virginia is to meet her askings during 1947. Virginians are asked to invest a minimum of $112 million in Bonds during the current year. As of November 1st, sales totaled $90,099,598, leaving approximately $21,900,000 of the total askings to be bought in December.

Appomattox County needs $39,260 sales in Savings Bonds for this month to meet the yearly total asked.

GOP to push own measures on inflation issue.

Methodists start program of seeking more missionaries.

House beats off efforts to reduce foreign aid program.

Premier of Iran loses in voting.

Arabs and Jews are warned to halt fighting.

Archbishop of Rouen dies at age of 71.

Russia portrayed as avid chaser after dollars for trade.

State Department Inquires Into Use of Ships by Russia

WASHINGTON. — The state department is investigating reports that Russia is using lend-lease ships to compete with American merchant vessels at cut rates.

Authoritative sources said one of the ships now flying the Soviet flag, the Sukhona II, left Baltimore harbor for Sweden with a cargo of American coal.

Reports also are being checked that several other Russian lend-lease ships have transported coal to Sweden in recent weeks.

American Legion Initiates Members

Above: Initiation of new members into Post 104, American Legion, Appomattox, at recent ceremony. New members: H. B. Pack, A. B. Evans, Jr., C.R. Ferguson, R. I Smith, M. A. Williams.

Asks Effort For Schools

Editor, Times-Virginian:-

After reading the article "School Problems in Virginia," and "Substandard certificates in school system" (listing 22 in Appomattox County), I wondered if it were not time for all clubs, organizations and churches in the community to band together in a league for the betterment of the schools in Appomattox. Each organization to have a representative to the league.

The Lions Club has already taken the lead by raising $2,500 to start a gymnasium fund. The American Legion Auxiliary has started plans for a playground for the younger children and are making plans for sending a girl to the Girl State at Radford, Va. in June. Why can't the Garden Club improve the landscape with additional flowers?

If each organization will help in its small way immediately and also together it is a big way. A great deal could be done in a short time.

If the U. D. C., the Home Demonstration Clubs, the Eastern Star, the Masonic Lodge, the P.-T.A., the American Legion and Auxiliary, all the churches and any organizations not listed join together as one united front enough money can be raised to build a gymnasium, probably with pool and shower below, and the much needed additional classrooms above and around it.

Mr. Bruce, of Charlitte Court House gave usour library. Have we any other citizen in our community or nearby who could be interested in helping finance a school building improvement program?

If we as a community help improve the buildings and grounds, the board of education will be able to concentrate on the salaries of the teachers and then Appomattox school will stand in front.

—Helen Shouse.

NAVY ANNOUNCEMENT

It was announced today by the Navy Recruiting Station that re-enlistment by ex-Navy veterans has reached an all time high. This was due to the fact, according to Chief James H. Carwile, chief petty officer in charge of the Lynchburg Recruiting Station, that numerous ratings are now open to the Navy veteral regardless of how long he has been separated from the service.

Eisenhower will take over Columbia presidency in June.

Pearl Harbor anniversary recalled.

Snow falls over part of nation.

Pageant At Local School Wednesday

A Christmas pageant, "Light of the World," will be presented Wednesday night, December 17, at 8:00 o'clock in the high school auditorium, by the Music and English classes of Mrs. Wiley Morris and Miss Harriett Holley.

The pageant is colorfully staged and the musical background features the best loved Christmas carols and hymns.

The public is cordially invited to attend and join with the young people in this devotional service at the beginning of the Christmas season.

This pageant was given as a Christmas chapel program last year and was so well received that it is being repeated this year in the evening so that patrons and friends of the school may have an opportunity to see and enjoy this phase of school life

G. W. CAWTHORNE

George Washington Cawthorne, 71, died in a Staunton hospital on Thursday night. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the family cemetery near here, with the Rev. C. G. Carter officiating. Pallbearers were: Rufus Cawthorne, E. A. Covington, Jack Cawthorne, Curtis Jennings, George Jennings and Dewey Cawthorne.

The son of the late Cornelius H. Cawthorne and Rosa Phelps Cawthorne, he was born in Appomattox County June 15, 1876. He is survived by one brother, Charles S. Cawthorne, East Orange, N. J.; one half-brother, T. J. Cawthorne, Appomattox, and two half-sisters, Mrs. A. J. Smith, Farmville, and Mrs. Nannie H. Smith, Washington, D. C.

JOHN L. DIXON

John L. Dixon died in a hospital in Staunton Saturday morning. He was born in Appomattox County on November 17, 1907, son of the late Willie A. and Virginia Pankey Dixon. He made his home at Bent Creek. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. J. R. Marks, Bent Creek, and three brothers, Willie, George and Charlie Dixon.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at three o'clock, from Maple Grove Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. A. L. Shumate.

BAGS 10 POINT DEER

A hunting party from here last week bagged a nice 10-point deer, killed by J. Marshall Walker. In the party were: Varnell Mitchell, Rev. O. G. Burnette, Ned Bradley, Johnnie Lewis, Bill Akers, Dan Jennings and Rev. Deane.

STATE HIGHWAY DEATH TOTAL NOW 638

Two persons were killed on Virginia highways yesterday, bringing the total for 1947 to 639.

Boston Red Sox purchase several new players.

Colleges begin basketball season.

Dark Tobacco Sales Start As Market Opens

Dark tobacco markets opened this week and found prices slightly off from opening sales of a year ago. Buyers were not overactive and a considerable poundage went to the government at pegged prices.

Monday averages were around $29.00 per hundred and the average slumped off a bit Tuesday. However grades covered were not of the best.

Warehouses were in operation at Blackstone, Farmville, Lynchburg and Bedford.

Price averages yesterday were: Farmville, $26.68; Lynchburg, $28; Bedford, $30.01; Blackstone $27.47.

Sales for the first two days of the season totaled 1,079,829 pounds for a $27.86 average.

FEDERAL PEG PRICES

An average Federal loan rate of 30.2 cents per pound on Virginia's 1947 fire-cured tobacco, effective when the market opened December 8 at Lynchburg, Bedford, Farmville and Blackstone, is cited as the price schedule released through the Agricultural Extension Service.

Support prices listed in the schedule will take the form of Commodity Credit Corporation loans, made to the Virginia Dark-Fired Tobacco Cooperative Marketing Association through the Bank for Cooperatives at Baltimore, it was explained. The schedule also noted that the cooperative through which the loans are made is authorized to deduct 12 cents per hundred pounds from the amount paid the grower for overhead costs of the loan program to the association.

Supports listed on wrapper tobacco range from a top of $47.12 per hundred pounds farm sales weight for choice brown 45 length to a low of $38.12 for good dark 45 length. The range on leaf is from $42.12 for choice brown 45 length to $26.12 for low green 46 length.

The top cutter price is $4.12 for choice light 45 length. The low is $20.12 for low green 46 length. Tips range from $30.12 for good brown to $22.12 for low green. Lugs will be supported at $30.12 for choice light brown down to $15.12 for low green. The nondescript price is $11.12 for choice.

MONOGRAM CLUB

The Monogram Club of Appomattox High School held its first meeting Thursday, December 4. The meeting was for the purpose of electing officers. The following were elected:

President, Frank McCann
Vice president, Joyce Chrjstian
Secretary, June Smith
Treasurer, Harry Lawson
Reporter, Margery Godsey
Sponsor, Mr. Charles Fountain.

A committee was appointed to select colors and a motto.

MRS. MOTT U. CYRUS

Funeral services for Mrs. Aurelia Mae Cyrus, 49, wife of Mott U. Cyrus, of Spout Spring, were held Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, at Reedy Springs Baptist Church. Rev. L. P. Brown, pastor, officiated.

Mrs. Cyrus died Sunday night after a brief illness. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. J. C. Hawley, Spout Spring; Mrs. R. B. Garrett, Norfolk; Mrs. E. J. Carroll, Lynchburg; Mildred, Jackie, Helen, Paul and Sarah Cyrus, all of Spout Spring, and Mott Cyrus, Jr., U. S. Army, stationed in Japan; a stepson, Lewis E. Turner, Lynchburg; a brother, S.E. Chernault, Appomattox, and a sister, Mrs. C. D. Turner, Lynchburg. Active pallbearers: Hunter Dickerson, O.T. Jamerson, Odell Howerton, H. S. Jones, D. H. Cyrus and W. R. Cyrus.

LIONS MEET TONIGHT

The Appomattox Lions Club will have its regular meeting tonight.

Marshall calls hand of Russia on German reparations.